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York County Planning Director
Attn: Adam Kinsman
P.O. Box 532
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Subject: Installation of Maximum Penalty for Speeding Signs

Dear Mr. Kinsman,

The Meadowlake Farms Homeowner's Association requests installation by the Virginia Department of Transportation of signs advising of maximum penalty for exceeding posted maximum speed limit on residential streets contained within the environs of the Meadowlake Farms sub-division, in accordance with 46.2-872.2 of the code of Virginia. Meadowlake Farms, to include all streets contained within the sub-division, meets the definition of a "residence district" as defined in 46.2-100 code of Virginia.

We have observed a marked increase of speeding within our subdivision. The layout of the major connecting street, Susan Newton Lane, winds around and conforms to the perimeter of a lake. As such, it contains several curves offering limited visibility on the turns which cut reaction time for driver's, particularly those exceeding the speed limit. The streets within our sub-division do not include sidewalks or curbs, thus forcing pedestrian traffic to use the streets. A large number of young children live in our neighborhood and the streets are usually busy with them. The problem is compounded by the fact that a large number of driving age teenagers also live within the neighborhood. These inexperienced drivers and their non-resident friends are the ones with the greatest tendency to speed. The entire problem is compounded by the fact that Meadowlake Farms can be accessed from both Rt. 134 and Rt. 171. This offers a shortcut between these two busy roads directly through our sub-division, resulting in a steady flow of traffic. The subject signs have already been installed in Woodlake Crossing, the adjoining sub-division to which we are connected via Lakeland Crescent.

Installation is requested at the three entrances to Meadowlake Farms. These are located at the intersection of Rt. 134 and Meadowlake Road; the intersection of Rt. 171 and South Bowman Terrace; and on Lakeland Crescent on the border between Meadowlake Farms and Woodlake Crossing sub-divisions. We request an additional sign be installed within Meadowlake Farms sub-division on Susan Newton Lane.

Installation of these signs is considered a positive step towards alleviating this problem and has full community support. The Meadowlake Farms Homeowner's Association looks forward to your response and thanks you for your cooperation.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Leonard M. LaVella', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Leonard M. LaVella,
Meadowlake Farms Homeowner's Association Board of Directors